

The Englishmen have gone up the great peak, Mt. Everest, in the Himalayas, 26,800 feet—higher than men had ever climbed on this earth. They made the trip without artificial supplies of oxygen. Later they will try for the top. You know the rough surface of an orange. In proportion to the size of the orange as compared with the earth, a microbe crawling to the top of one of those roughnesses on the orange would go up much higher than those that climbed Mt. Everest. We are microbes crawling around our orange.

Lenin is dying—at least, doctors think so. His speech is gone, following a stroke. That stroke came after inflammation of the stomach, the trouble that killed Napoleon. Both men made the same mistake, working at a constant and terrific mental and physical pace, straining the blood vessels in the brain by exaggerated demand for blood supply.

Another chapter will open in Russian history, with Lenin gone. Trotsky will rule Russia, as absolute dictator, if he chooses, having the army under him. Hitherto, Lenin, a Slav, has held the highest power. That passes now to a Jew. More than half the ruling minds in Russia are Jewish, and the government will now become an experiment in Jewish constructive power in government, far more important than could possibly be made under Entlish mandate in Palestine. In watching the experiment, remember that no men ever undertook a more desperately difficult task.

General Fing, Chinese Christian, and ruler of Hunan province, issues an order forbidding the binding of girls' feet. Good Christian idea. The next step is to free the girls' minds. There is more binding of brains than of feet on this earth, and China has no monopoly of either.

The government crisis in Japan is caused by dissatisfaction with the public school system. Not enough spent on schools, too much on war, say the people, and the government head goes down.

"Japan is obsessed with a mania for knowledge," says the dispatch.

It's a good mania; this country would be better off for a little more of it. Look ago a Talmudic writer said: "Jerusalem fell because the schools were neglected."

In proportion to what we know of the wealth we have, this country has the worst school system, the most shameful illiteracy.

The amount of cash in circulation in this country for every inhabitant is \$48.78. Some have rather more than the average.

A restless theorist asks: "Why does the Government put interest on money when it alone has the power to make it?"

A difficult question for the unlearned, but there are some countries—Russia, Germany, Austria—printing money very rapidly. But its value decreases as it is printed. Does seem, however, that this nation might safely print a few billions to be paid off at its leisure, without going into bankruptcy.

If collateral is needed, we might use those European gold loans—that we shall probably never collect. What's the real difference between printing bonds and printing money?

At the British grand court performance everybody was shining in gems and gold-lace magnificence except the German Ambassador, who used to be the most glittering and shiny of all. The Germans, like the Americans, have passed the glittering stage officially. The British will do likewise some day.

William Allen White says it is outrageous to bribe little boys to take dogs to the pound to be killed for 25 cents each. It is outrageous, not on account of the stray dogs, which are better dead, but because of the effect on the boys. White says: "A boy who would take a stray dog to the pound is too mean to live himself." He is not a "mean" as a nation that permits children to be ground up in the child labor pound. And what of the man who keeps a dog that every day frightens children—satisfied because that dog licks his owner's feet. Too much sentiment for dogs—not enough for children.

The Russians are opening tombs of the czars, taking from the dusty bodies magnificent jewels and gold ornaments. "Sacrilege!" is the cry. But it does not hurt those dead czars, and you must allow for revolutionary excitement. The French not only dug up bodies, but threw the old kings into open ditches, and sheer hatred. Even the gallant Henry IV, after being exposed to public gaze—remarkably well preserved—was tossed in the ditch.

The royalists, when they came back, did even worse. They scattered Voltaire's ashes on waste

# LIE DETECTOR FREES MURDER SUSPECT

## STORY OF DEATH IS O. K'D BY MACHINE

Blood Pressure Device Applied as Man Tells Version of Killing.

By ELLIS H. MARTIN.

International News Service.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 10.—

Science had today cleared Henry Wilkins of suspicion of connection with his wife's murder.

The "lie detector," scientifically known as the sphygmomanometer, or blood pressure machine, proclaims that he told the truth concerning her death. Shot By Bandit.

Returning from a day's outing last Sunday evening, an automobile containing three bandits crowded the Wilkins car to the curb. One of the bandits flourished a revolver, and Wilkins gave him \$300 in \$100 bills.

The bandit, Wilkins said, attempted to take rings from his wife's hands, and as he reached for a gun to protect her the bandit fired, but Mrs. Wilkins being seated in front of her husband died instantly.

Their six-year-old son corroborated this story.

To ascertain whether Wilkins was telling the truth he was subjected to the lie detector test.

Records Emotions.

The machine, a formidable affair, with charts to record the emotion through the medium of the blood, the heart, and the respiration was attached to his person. He submitted willingly to the test, and after a series of questions designed to set him at ease, was asked:

"Did you know in advance anything of the hold-up?"

"No," came the steady answer, and the recording stylus recorded only a normal flutter.

"The truth," the observers whispered.

"Did you hire any persons to commit this murder?" he was asked.

Again came the firm answer "No," and again the recording stylus indicated he had told the truth.

The test was conducted by Dr. John A. Larson, Berkeley police department criminologist, who invented the "lie detector," and Chief of Police Daniel O'Brien. Both expressed satisfaction today with the test and their belief that Wilkins has told the truth.

HARDING THINKING OVER

GEORGIA JUDGESHIP

President Harding will have before him today the recommendation of Attorney General Daugherty for the appointment of a successor to the late Judge Beverly D. Evans for the southern district of Georgia.

The names of several Georgia Democrats were considered, but it is said that the appointment will go to a Republican. The name of the appointee, it is understood, will be sent to the Senate without delay.

Congestion of the dockets in the Georgia Federal courts will cause the President to press for early confirmation.

\$15,000 YEARLY ASKED TO

SUPPORT 10-YEAR-OLD BOY

For the support of a ten-year-old boy \$15,000 a year is asked in a petition filed yesterday in Probate Court by Joseph J. O'Donoghue 3rd, for ancillary letters of guardianship for the boy. The youngster is Joseph J. O'Donoghue 4th.

The child is a son of Mrs. Mildred T. O'D. Miller, who died in November of last year. It is said that the youngster will receive \$600,000 following the death of an aunt. He will also receive a \$10,000 life insurance policy.

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MEXICANS ANNIHILATE

REBEL FORCE OF TWENTY

MEXICO CITY, June 10.—Federal troops are waging a campaign with no quarter against rebels in northeastern Mexico, it was revealed today.

A war office dispatch from Monterrey said that Gen. Andres Figueroa, federal commander in Nuevo Leon, surrounded and annihilated a rebel force of twenty men under Isidro Ganoa, which had been raiding and looting ranches. The fight took place near Laguna de Sanchez and lasted only half an hour. The rebels were poorly equipped.

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## ROSE REEVE.

Eleven-year-old Chicago girl, who has skipped the lower grades in grammar school to matriculate at Columbia University. Rose and her father are now in New York to make arrangements for her to start her studies at the Columbia Law School next September. A year's course at the Western University, of London, Ontario, is about all the orthodox schooling Rose has had. Rose's sister, Birdie, fourteen years old, won a typewriting contest by handling an average of 135 words a minute.

JUDGE ROBERT TERRELL

IS SLIGHTLY IMPROVED

The condition of Judge Robert H. Terrell, of the Municipal Court, who has been confined to his home at 1615 T street, northwest, for the last eight days with an attack of influenza, although is slightly improved today, according to his attending physicians.

Judge Terrell has been growing weak from the attack but his physicians hope that with signs of improvement appearing he will regain strength and will soon recover. There are three experts in attendance on the patient.

U. S. RENTS DROPPING AS

BUILDING BOOM GAINS

New building operations over the United States are helping to cut high rentals and absorb surplus labor supply, according to reports to the Commerce Department.

Spring operations have far exceeded those of last year both in residential and industrial building construction. In some localities the building booms have created a scarcity in skilled labor among the building trades.

GIRL WITH WOODEN LEG

HELD AS STOCKING THIEF

CHICAGO, June 10.—Miss Vera Lamb, seventeen, possessor of two wooden legs, was held by juvenile court authorities on charge of the theft of a pair of silk stockings.

Both of the girl's limbs were frozen when she was a girl, making amputation necessary.

CANNIBALISM BLAMED

FOR DEATH OF 3 GIRLS

LONDON, June 10.—Cannibalism was reported today from Kenya, formerly British East Africa. A Central News dispatch from Nairobi said that the disappearance of a number of young girls is believed to have been cleared up by the arrest of three natives charged with cannibalism.

ABE MITCHELL VICTOR

IN 1,000 GUINEAS MATCH

LONDON, June 10.—Abe Mitchell today won the 1,000 guineas golf tournament at Glen Eagles, defeating Ted Ray, two up and one to go.

Harding Home Again.

President Harding returned early this morning from his two-day trip to Britain and Princeton, N. J. He had no engagements on his calendar today except the Catherine Hughes wedding late this afternoon.

## JAPAN BUILDING

HUGE AIR FLEET

TO GUARD LAND

Kato Admits Defensive Step Is To Repel Possible Attack by U. S.

By International News Service.

Japan has adopted an aviation policy which contemplates construction of a sufficiently large air force to repel any attack by aircraft of the United States using Hawaii as a base, according to advices here today.

The policy is predicated on the fact that Hawaii is excluded from the so-called Pacific fortifications agreement of the naval treaty by which the powers consent to maintain the status quo in the fortifications of their insular possessions.

Kato Admits Menace of Attack.

The official view of the Government on this question was divulged by Admiral Baron Kato, minister of marine and head of the Japanese delegation to the Arms Conference, in response to criticisms from the opposition. The Baron admitted the exclusion of Hawaii from the agreement laid Japan open to the possibility of an American attack by air from Hawaii.

Should such an attack be made, however, Japan will be prepared with an overwhelmingly superior air force, the Baron declared.

Secretary of War Weeks today was inclined to make light of the reported Japanese fears.

Weeks Minimizes Fear.

"Hawaii is a long way from Japan," the Secretary said, "and though great progress has been made in the science of military aviation, I should say it would be a long time before such an aerial expedition as that spoken of would be feasible at the same time, it is only fair to say that if it were, an attack on Hawaii from Japan would be equally feasible."

The Secretary pointed out that the island of Midway is practically the only landing place available in the course of a flight from Hawaii to Japan.

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## IRISH PACT ACCEPTED BY BRITISH

Signatories Compromise on New Conditions Made by Collins-De Valera Coalition.

By DAVID M. CHURCH.

International News Service.

LONDON, June 10.—The British signatories of the Anglo-Irish peace treaty today agreed to accept Arthur Griffith's draft of the proposed constitution for the Irish Free State.

The document had been amended from its original form to meet their opposition to clauses which had been inserted at the instance of Eamon de Valera and his Republican followers. Griffith is president of the Dail Eireann.

Acceptance Conditional.

Premier Lloyd George asserted that Britain's acceptance was conditional, depending upon approval by Dublin leaders of the constitutional revisions drawn up during the London negotiations.

The British signatories of the Irish treaty met first, after which they conferred with the Irish delegates at the Downing street.

Will Be Known Monday.

At the Downing street conference Britain was represented by Premier Lloyd George, Colonial Secretary Winston Churchill, and Sir Gordon Stewart, attorney general of England.

The text of the constitution probably will be published in Dublin on Monday.

According to Downing street sources, the constitution provides for allegiance of residents of the Irish Free State to the British empire.

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## Hearst Eulogizes Barham, Publisher Who Died Abroad

By Universal Service.

PARIS, June 10.—Guy Brinton Barham, one of the ablest newspaper men in the United States and one of the most sincere democrats in the broadest sense of the term, died yesterday in London.

His death will be a genuine loss to the public whom he sincerely served, and will leave a gap in the ranks of those journalists of high order who fully feel the seriousness of their duties and responsibilities to the public.

His newspaper, the Los Angeles Herald, is one of the most powerful and most successful in the whole United States, and its power and success are due entirely to his personality and journalistic genius.

Mr. Barham's career was closely identified with the growth and development of the wonderful city of Los Angeles. He was interested in every measure which advanced his city and benefited his country. He gave the aid of his powerful personality and that of his great newspaper to every cause which promoted the interests of his public, and in innumerable cases his was the influence which decided the success of such public enterprises.

His father was an early Californian who held public office and upheld law and order in the early days of the State. From his father he inherited his allegiance to that true democracy which means public welfare.

The Barham family came originally from England, and the Barham name is a familiar one in Kent and Sussex. In England, the home of his ancestors, Mr. Barham died, but his remains will be transported to California, the land of his birth and of his whole-hearted devotion.

A powerful patriotic figure has gone out of American life, but his influence will be perpetuated and his work carried forward through the medium of the great paper he founded.

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# DISTRICT MOTHERS TO FIGHT OFFICIALS

Mrs. Giles Scott Rafter Declares Citizens Are Tired of Continual 'Buck Passing'

Washington mothers represented in the Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teachers' Association will carry into court the Wisconsin Avenue Industrial Home School affair, if the Board of Children's Guardians persists in its efforts to close the school by July 1.

Mrs. Rafter Threatens Action.

This declaration was made today by Mrs. Giles Scott Rafter, who, with other officials of the mothers' organization, is preparing data preliminary to the proposed court action.

"The mothers of the city are united in the effort to keep open this splendid institution," said Mrs. Rafter. "They are more strongly united than ever. The children at the school are not those of Europe or Asia—they are our own District of Columbia little ones! Their welfare is at stake, and we are going to protect them!"

"The mothers are tired—have been tired for years of this eternal 'passing the buck' in the District government. No one will admit authority over the actions of the responsible body, and I think that a test case will serve to fix this authority."

Authority to Be Determined.

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